

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER THE PEOPLE'S GOVERNOR

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## Gov. Schwarzenegger Proclaims State of Emergency in Additional 6 Counties

Gov. Schwarzenegger issued the following proclamation today adding the counties of Imperial, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, Riverside and Yuba to the list of counties to receive emergency assistance resulting from severe freezing conditions. Earlier this week, the Governor proclaimed a <u>state of emergency</u> in the counties of Fresno, Ken Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare and Ventura. Additional counties will b added to the proclamation as warranted.

A copy of the proclamation is below:

## PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS on January 12, 2007 I proclaimed a state of emergency because of the existence of conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property throughout the State of California due to extreme low temperatures and freezing conditions beginning January 11, 2007 and continuing; and

WHEREAS on January 16, 2007 I proclaimed a state of emergency in the counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera Merced, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare, and Ventura based on the continuing effects of those conditions; and

WHEREAS such conditions have continued, and the counties of San Bernardino, Santa Clara, Riverside, and Yuba have recently proclaimed a local state of emergency due to the extreme low temperatures and freezing conditions; and

WHEREAS such conditions also exist in San Diego County and Imperial County, both of which have sustained significant damage to their agricultural industry, and local authority is inadequate to cope with the situation; and

WHEREAS the circumstances of this situation, by reason of their magnitude, are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single county, city and county, or city and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist in the counties of Imperial, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, Riverside, and Yuba resulting from these severe freezing conditions, and under the authorit of the California Emergency Services Act, set forth at Title 2, Division 1, Chapter 7 of the California Government Code, commencing with section 8550, I hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in these counties.

I HEREBY DIRECT all agencies of the state government to utilize and employ state personnel, equipment and facilities for the performance of any and all necessary activities to alleviate this emergency as directed by my Office of Emergency Services and in accordance with the State Emergency Plan.

I DIRECT that the Director of the Office of Emergency Services activate the California Disaster Assistance Act to provide supplemental financial support for local government.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary o State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 19th day of January 2007.

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Governor of California

ATTEST:

DEBRA BOWEN

Secretary of State